

Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Health & Family Support

Date: June 20, 2002

To: HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE Referral to: WAYS & MEANS/BUDGET COMMITTEE

Subject: ACCEPT \$382,618 IN FEDERAL BIOTERRORISM FUNDS FROM THE

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Recommendation

That the proper City officials be authorized to accept \$382,618 in federal Bioterrorism funds from the Minnesota Department of Health, and increase both the revenue budget (revenue source code *3210*) and appropriation in fund/org 0300-860-8621 by \$382,618 for the period of June 6, 2002 through August 30, 2003.

Previous Directives

None

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David S. Doth, Commissioner of Health & Family Support

Presenters in Committee: Becky McIntosh

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

X Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget

X Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase

Background/Supporting Information Attached

The Department of Health & Family Support is requesting authorization to accept \$382,618 in federal bioterrorism funds from the Minnesota Department of Health. These funds will be used in coordination with the City's Office of Emergency Preparedness and Hennepin County in the development and implementation of a county-wide Public Health Emergency Preparedness Plan. The City contracts with Hennepin County for the provision of routine public health disease surveillance and response on behalf of Minneapolis, and this new funding provides significant resources towards upgrading the ability of the City and County to respond to a terrorist attack or other public health emergency such as pandemic influenza.